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In the Matter of)
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Amendment of Section 73.606(b),)
Table of Allotments,)
TV Broadcast Stations)
(Lake Havasu City, Arizona, and)
Laughlin, Nevada).)
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Amendment of Section 73.622(b),)
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(Lake Havasu City, Arizona, and)
Laughlin, Nevada).)

MM Docket No. 99-114
RM - 8902

COMMENTS OF KPNX BROADCASTING COMPANY

KPNX Broadcasting Company (KPNX), licensee of television station KPNX(TV), Mesa (Phoenix), Arizona, hereby submits its comments in support of the proposal by Mojave Broadcasting Company to build and operate a new television station (KMCC) in Laughlin, NV.

KPNX has had discussions with the NBC television network looking toward (inter alia) the provision of extended NBC network service in the Phoenix DMA via television station KMOH-TV, Kingman, Arizona, which is commonly-owned with KPNX(TV). Because of the extraordinary size of the Phoenix DMA (larger than the state of Illinois), it is not feasible for station KPNX(TV) to cover the northwestern part of Arizona with a serviceable signal.

However, given Kingman's location close to the Nevada border, KPNX's affiliation agreement

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with NBC would not permit KMOH-TV to carry the NBC signal from KPNX(TV) without the approval of NBC's Las Vegas affiliate, station KVBC.

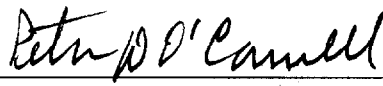
KPNX strongly supports the Mojave proposal here because, under the proposal, both southern Nevada and northwestern Arizona can receive over-the-air locally transmitted NBC program service for the first time via KMCC and KMOH-TV respectively. (See Mojave comments at pp. 11-16.) KPNX views this extension of service as manifestly in the public interest, and anticipates that NBC will endorse the plan.

WHEREFORE, KPNX respectfully submits that the proposal advanced by Mojave for creation of a new television station in Laughlin, Nevada, should be adopted by the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

KPNX BROADCASTING COMPANY

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